

INFORMATION

EXCHANGE

March-April 1999

CalWORKs 101 Training

The Capacity Building Unit (CBU) of the Job Training Partnership Division (JTPD), in conjunction with the State Department of Social Services, will conduct four regional Train-the-Trainer sessions that will focus on the CalWORKs program.

These training sessions will include an overview of the CalWORKs program and address the administrative elements of eligibility, allowable activities, sanctions, and other related program components. CalWORKs referral procedures to the Welfare-to-Work (WtW) Grant Program will also be discussed.

Four regional training sessions are scheduled for April 13 in Sacramento, April 27 in Fresno, May 4 in Orange County, and May 18, 1999 in San Bernardino from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All Service Delivery Area (SDA) and other WtW entity training specialists who are interested in attending this training may call (916) 654-7799 for a registration form. The class will be filled on a first-come, first served basis, and is limited to two representatives per SDA or other WtW entities. For additional information, please call Luis Sepulveda at (916) 653-5244.

Community Transportation Association of America presents Transportation and Employment Conference

"The Vital Link" will be held on March 16, 1999 in Pasadena, and March 18, 1999 in Millbrea. This conference is intended for all leaders in workforce development, transportation, human services and community development who wish to learn effective strategies for overcoming transportation-to-work issues!

This conference is funded by the Department of Labor (DOL), and co-sponsored in part by the Employment Development Department (EDD), and the California Workforce Association (CWA). Please call (202) 661-0203 for registration information.

JTPA Close-Out

The CBU is currently developing a new training workshop entitled "Preparing for JTPA Close-Out". To assist in the development of this workshop the CBU has convened a twenty-member work group, consisting of Employment Development Department (EDD), Department of Labor (DOL), and SDA partners. The following issues were discussed at the first work group meeting: grant closeout procedures, disposition of property, participant transition, timelines, record/file maintenance, audit resolution, payment of employee benefits, and local SDA issues.

The next meeting of the work group is scheduled for March 3, 1999. JTPD plans to issue an Information Bulletin regarding the work group's meetings, and solicit SDA input regarding close-out issues needing policy decisions, in the near future.

If any SDA would like to host a session (tentative dates in May 1999) and has a facility which could accommodate at least 50 participants, please contact Don MacMillan at (916) 654-8308.

CWA Eighth Annual Conference for Workforce Development Professionals

The annual California Workforce Association (CWA) conference for Workforce Development Professionals--"Building Careers...Building Communities"--will be held on March 31, 1999 through April 2, 1999 in Anaheim, California.

Topic areas include implementation and transition issues related to the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Welfare-to-Work, One-Stop, quality and accountability, designing programs, tools for change, case management, and technology and partnering.

Deadline for registration is March 24, 1999. Register online at: www.calworkforce.org or contact the CWA for a registration form at (916) 325-1615.

A Calendar of Workforce Development Events

MARCH 1999

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
	<div>Welfare to Work Intro & Overview <i>SETA</i></div>			<div>Welfare to Work Intro & Overview <i>SETA</i></div>
	<div>WIA Forum <i>Tulare County</i></div>			
15	16	17	18	19
	<div>"The Vital Link" Trans. & Employment <i>Holiday Inn - Pasadena</i></div>			
<div>US DOL - WIA Training <i>Los Angeles</i></div>				
22	23	24	25	26
		<div>Welfare to Work Intro & Overview <i>City of Los Angeles</i></div>	<div>JTPA Eligibility Workshop <i>City of Long Beach</i></div>	
29	30	31	April 1	April 2
<div>SDA Administrators' Quarterly Meeting <i>City of Anaheim</i></div>		<div>California Workforce Association - Spring Conference <i>Anaheim Marriott</i></div>		

*Shaded boxes = Capacity Building Unit sessions

APRIL 1999

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		March 31	1	2
		<div> California Workforce Association - Spring Conference <i>Anaheim Marriott</i> </div>		
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
	<div> CalWORKs 101 Train The Trainer <i>Sacramento</i> </div>			
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30
	<div> CalWORKs 101 Train The Trainer <i>Fresno</i> </div>			

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THE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING NETWORK *Resources for JTPA programs*

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- **consultant services** - to enhance staff's skills, knowledge, and motivation
- **program site visits** - staff reimbursement provided for travel expenses
- **resource library** - up-to-date books, manuals and videos in a multitude of topics on loan for three weeks
- **referrals** - to other employment and training programs
- **added extras** - informative newsletters announcing upcoming workshops, new resources, etc.

The Employment Training Network technical assistance services are available upon request to SDA/PIC staff members or contractors operating JTPA programs in schools, community colleges, community-based agencies, adult education programs, County Offices of Education and ROPs. **JTPA funded agencies may receive Employment Training Network services by calling (916) 654-8896.**

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